California Regional Water Quality Control Board North Coast Region 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A Santa Rosa, CA 95403 (707) 576-2220

Public Notice No.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS

for

THE PACIFIC LUMBER COMPANY, SCOTIA PACIFIC COMPANY LLC, AND SALMON CREEK CORPORATION

Elk River Humboldt County

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, North Coast Region, proposes to adopt Waste Discharge Requirements for winter period timber operations conducted by Pacific Lumber in the Elk River watershed.

A public meeting to consider comments and objections to Order No. R1-2003-0118 will be held on November 5, 2003, at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as practicable. The meeting will he held at the Regional Board office, 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A, Santa Rosa, California.

Interested persons should submit to the Regional Board office at 5550 Skylane Boulevard, Suite A, Santa Rosa, California, 95403, written copies of all technical reports, testimony, and other evidentiary material concerning this issue by 5:00 p.m. on October 24, 2003. This written material will be submitted to the Regional Board Members and all interested persons along with the full agenda materials.

Written material received after the above date will not be accepted except at the discretion of the Regional Water Board Chair. Untimely written material will not be accepted or incorporated into the administrative record if doing so would prejudice a party. The Chair may choose to modify this rule upon a showing of severe hardship (California Code of Regulations, Title 23, Sections 648.1 and 648.4.).

All interested persons may speak at the hearing for this item. The time constraints for oral testimony or comments will be set by Regional Water Board Chair and usually allow no more than 10 minutes for each party and three minutes for other interested persons. A timer may be used and speakers are expected to honor the time limits. Where speakers can be grouped by affiliation or interest, such groups will be expected to select a spokesperson and not be repetitive.

The tentative Order and associated documents will be available for review on October 10, 2003. Related documents and comments received are on file and may be inspected or copied at the Regional Board office on Mondays from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., and Fridays from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Appointments are recommended for file review. File review appointments can be made by calling (707) 576-2220.

Catherine Kuhlman Executive Officer

October 9, 2003